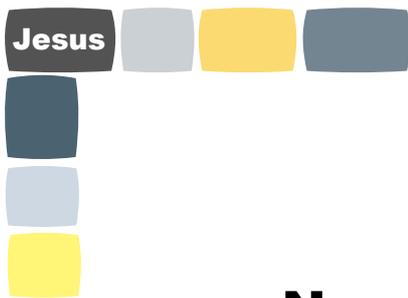


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## Newsletter February 2021

### My Prayer for this Year.

My new prayer, over every other prayer for this year , is this:-

*Lord, teach me more about Yourself than I already know, humble me again with all that I do not know, and make what I do know more alive and real in my heart and life.*

Each new day should begin with the same prayer, "Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law " ( Psalm 119:18)

With the Spirit in us and the infinite wonder of the words of God Himself before us, we never have any reason to be content with what we already know.

Without a doubt, we should expect to see and understand things about God this year that we've never seen before.

We should never stop praying that God would "give us the spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him, having the eyes of our hearts enlightened," that we might know more of Him - His hope, His wealth, His power ( Ephesians 1:17-18) **Ask God to show you more of Himself in His word this year than you've ever seen before.**

From an early age , the world system has taught us to measure progress in all the wrong ways. We spent twenty or more years learning a little more maths, or a little more history; or a little more science, and we measure ourselves year after year by test results and final grades.

But the Christian life is not simply a Systematic Theological course. Maturity is measured by a spiritual heart monitor, by character , not by head knowledge.

So how do we turn what we know into true Christian growth?

Through Prayer. Prayer is the match that lights the kindling of knowledge we've gathered over time.

Tim Keller wrote : ( Prayer )

*"Prayer turns theology into experience. Through it we sense His presence and receive His joy, His love, His peace and confidence, and thereby we are changed in attitude, behaviour, and character . . . Prayer is the way that all the things we believe in and that Christ has won for us actually becomes our strength.*

*Prayer is the way that truth is worked into your heart to create new instincts, reflexes, and dispositions*

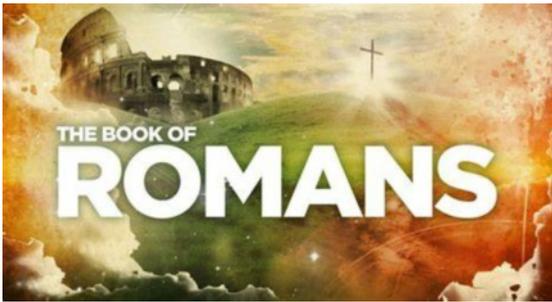


## Cornerstone Diary for February

We are unable to plan the diary of February at the time of writing. The church closed in January due to the rise in infections of the new variants of the Corona virus, please pray for wisdom for the trustees as they meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February to consider when to re-open amongst other things.

In the meantime there are weekly Zoom meeting and if you would like log in details for these meeting please drop Sara an email on [sara.j.d@talktalk.net](mailto:sara.j.d@talktalk.net)

### A New Series for a New Year



We managed to get the first part of Chapter 12 verse 1 done before the Church building closed.

The series is now on hold until until the church re-opens, when we will pick it up again.

### Hampers for NHS front line staff in our Hospitals.

Our thanks go to Richard Hare Vicar of Immanuel Church for having the vision and organizing the local churches in and around Bridlington to be able to give some practical help and love in action to all the front line staff working in Bridlington and Scarborough hospitals.

After a discussion with a hospital manager on how we could support the staff in this extremely pressured time, she said a supply of tea, coffee, biscuits and messages of love and appreciation would go down extremely well.

Working together with Maya liversidge , the hospitals' community liaison person a scheme was devised to deliver a £20 Rington's hamper to every ward together with a card and message of thanks, the response has been fantastic and all 33 Wards in both hospitals are receiving hampers for the staff.



We were able to send 5 hampers each with a thank you card. They all went to Scarborough to the following wards

- Ward 1 ICU
- Ward 2 Beech
- Ward 3 Chestnut
- Ward 5 Holly
- Ward 6 Ash.



**Missionary Offering for the next two Months will go to support :-**



**Missionary Aviation Fellowship**

Even though we are not meeting on a Sunday Please remember the work of MAF still goes on And they need your prayers and any monetary gifts can Be kept and placed in the missionary box when church Re-opens.



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**Kirk Ella**

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**7-30 pm - 8-30pm Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

**951 5564 9840**

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## Praying together at Cornerstone

As the church building is closed we are not able to meet for prayer on the first Saturday of the month, but why not set aside some time on Saturday morning the 6<sup>th</sup> February for prayer at home, Here are just some things that could be on your prayer list.



Wisdom for the Church Trustees to know the right time to re-open the church building

Pray for one another that our walk with the Lord would not waver during these days

Pray for the NHS staff in our local Hospitals dealing with the massive work load.

Pray for our older friends who are in Care Homes and cannot have visitors

Pray for our Government that they will have wisdom to make the right decisions.



**The Leprosy Mission**  
England and Wales

## Stamp Appeal

Please remember to save your used stamps and bring them to Church when we re-open

put your used stamps in the box under the notice board in the entrance hall. Many Thanks.

# He Knows Your Need

By John Piper

“Do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.”\* (Matthew 6:31–32) Jesus wants his followers to be free from worry. In Matthew 6:25–34, he gives at least seven arguments designed to take away our anxiety. One of them lists food and drink and clothing, and then says, “Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all” (Matthew 6:32).

Jesus must mean that God’s “knowing” is accompanied by his “desiring” to meet our need. He is emphasizing we have a Father. And this Father is better than any earthly father.

I have five children. I love to meet their needs. But “my” knowing falls short of “God’s” knowing in at least three ways.

**First**, right now I don’t know where any of my children are. I could guess. They’re in their homes or at work or school, healthy and safe. But they might be lying on a sidewalk with a heart attack.

**Second**, I don’t know what is in their heart at any given moment. I can guess from time to time. But they may be feeling some fear or hurt or anger or lust or greed or joy or hope. I can’t see their hearts. They don’t even know their own hearts perfectly.

**Third**, I don’t know their future. Right now they may seem well and steady. But tomorrow some great sorrow may befall them.

This means

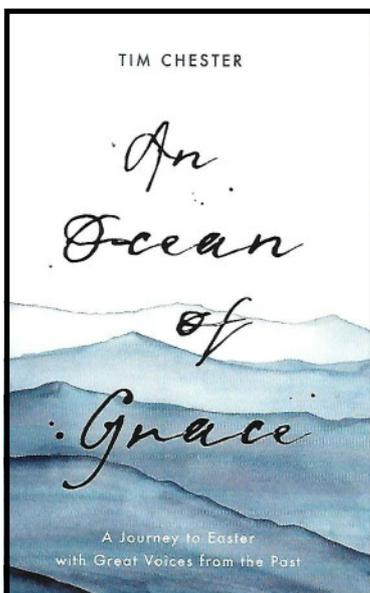
I can’t be for them a very strong reason not to worry. There are things that may be happening to them now, or may happen tomorrow, that I do not even know about. But it is totally different with their Father in heaven.

“Our” Father in heaven! He knows everything about us, where we are, now and tomorrow, inside and out. He sees every need. Add to that, his huge “eagerness” to meet our needs. Remember the “much more” of Matthew 6:30, “If God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not “much more” clothe you?”

Add to that his complete “ability” to do what he is eager to do (he feeds billions of birds hourly, around the world, Matthew 6:26).

So join me in trusting the promise of Jesus to meet our needs. That’s what Jesus is calling for when he says, “Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.”

By John Piper. © Desiring God Foundation. Source: [desiringGod.org](<http://desiringGod.org>)



## February book recommendation

Why not pick up a good book to read on your journey to Easter?

Tim Chester has put together a collection of devotions and prayers for Lent from writers across church history.

*“Every page of this book is an opportunity to sit and learn at the feet of saints of old”*

Alistair Begg

Buy it on line from the Good book company £6-79